Ricardo Ruiz Biography

Ricardo Ruiz was elected to the Leon Valley City Council in 2013. He is the owner of Cha Cha's Mexican Restaurant and Catering. In 2011, they celebrated their 25th anniversary making Cha Cha's one of the oldest restaurants in Leon Valley.

The eldest of three siblings, Ricardo learned about the operations of business, the work and sacrifice from his parents who began the restaurant. Under his leadership, Cha Cha's Mexican Restaurant and Catering has earned accolades from the San Antonio Express-News and the San Antonio Current for being one of the Best Mexican Restaurants in San Antonio. Cha Cha's is also noted as one of the largest caterers in San Antonio by the Business Journal.

Ricardo has a long history of commitment to the business growth and community service of Leon Valley. He has served on various committees; actively participating in the Leon Valley Chamber of Commerce, West Chamber of Commerce, San Antonio Restaurant Association, San Antonio Concierge Association and the National Night Out and the annual Taste of Leon Valley.

Ricardo also believes in giving back to his community. He volunteers his time and effort on the boards of several educational and non-profit organizations, including the Nellie Reddix Center SAT Board, Guadalupe Cultural Arts Center, Powell Elementary PTA, Central Catholic High School Alumni Association and St. Luke's Catholic Church Parish.

Ricardo is a 1991 graduate of Central Catholic High School and is active in the Alumni Association. He later attended Our Lady of the Lake University and studied abroad in Barcelona, Spain. He is married to his college sweetheart, Cynthia and has two children, Sabrina and Alexis, who attend St. Luke's Catholic School.